

1 Necklaces People were relocated to the Choctaw Apache Tribe of
2 Louisiana; between the 1830s and 1870s, the Lipan Apache Big Water
3 People and People of the High Grass congregated in the Texas coastal
4 region; and

5 WHEREAS, From the 1870s until 1915, the Tough People of the
6 Desert, the Big Water People, and the People of the Lava Beds were
7 relocated to the Mescalero Apache Tribe of New Mexico and the Kiowa
8 Apache Tribe of Oklahoma; in 1873, Colonel Ronald Mackenzie and 400
9 troops forced the relocation of some of the Lipan Apaches to the
10 Mescalero Apache Tribe of New Mexico; also in 1873, Lipan Apache
11 Chief Castro of the People of the High Grass and his band relocated
12 to the Texas Coastal Bend area and the Rio Grande Valley; and

13 WHEREAS, Descendants of the tribe celebrate time-honored
14 occasions such as the Lipan Apache Peyote Ceremony and the Lipan
15 Apache Buffalo Feast and also use ceremonial music and dress as ways
16 of upholding tribal customs; in addition, the descendants of the
17 tribe continue their efforts to gain more knowledge about their
18 ancestry; and

19 WHEREAS, The State of Texas acknowledges the contributions
20 made by the Lipan Apache Band of Texas to our state and nation under
21 the governments of Spain, Mexico, the Republic of Texas, and the
22 United States of America; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas
24 hereby respectfully urge the Congress of the United States to
25 recognize the Lipan Apache Band of Texas as a federally
26 acknowledged Indian tribe; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official

1 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to
2 the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the
3 senate of the United States Congress, and to all the members of the
4 Texas delegation to the congress with the request that this
5 resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record as a
6 memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.

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1 Memorializing Congress to recognize the Lipan Apache Band of Texas
2 as a federally acknowledged Indian tribe.